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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2002, Applicants offer the following amendments and remarks:

In the Drawings:

Please withdraw Figure 6D without prejudice.

In the Claims:

Please withdraw Claims 13, 19 – 28, and 31 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 12, 14 – 18, and 29 – 30 are now pending in the present application. Claims 13, 19 – 28, and 31 were withdrawn pursuant to a restriction requirement.

The restriction requirement regarding Figure 6C is respectfully traversed. Applicants have carefully studied the outstanding Office Action and concluded that the embodiments for

Figures 6A, 6B, and 6C are virtually identical. Figure 6C only shows a U-shaped connector wherein the hole therethrough has been shifted to intersect the edge of the interconnect.


It is submitted that no new matter has been added. Applicants request reconsideration of the application in light of the amendments and the arguments herein presented.

CONCLUSION

A first Office Action on the merit is now respectfully awaited. If there are any outstanding issues that the Examiner feels may be resolved by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact David W. Carstens at 972.367.2001.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any payments that may be due to CARSTENS, YEE & CAHOON, L.L.P. Deposit Account 50-0392.

Respectfully submitted,



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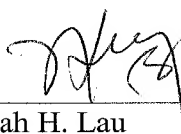
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